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SUBJ: COST OF SENEGAL'S CRUDE OIL

1. IN INTERESTING INTERVIEW PUBLISHED JAN 14, OUSMANE FALL, DIRGEN OF SENEGAL'S SOLE REFINERY PLACED COUNTRY'S ANNUAL NED FOR CRUDE AT 800,000 TONS FOR PROCESSING AT REFINERY.

2. HE POINTED OUT THAT BASRA CRUDE, WHICH WAS IMPORTANT IMPORT FOR 1973 AND ON WHICH SENEGAL COUNTS FOR 2/3 OF 1974 IMPORTS HAS GONE FROM 2.20 TO 10.85 DOLS/BARREL,

WHILE NIGERIAN CRUDE HAS RISEN FROM 3.20 TO 13.35 DOLS/BARREL, DURING CALENDAR 1973.

3. THIS MEANS SENEGAL'S IMPORT BILL FOR 800,000 TONS HAS RISEN FROM 5.6 BILLION CFA (\$22.4 MILLION) TO 19.6 BILLION CFA (76.8 MILLION), AN INCREASE WHICH AMOUNTS TO ALMOST 1/4 OF SENEGAL'S BUDGET. THIS IS WHY THE GOS HAS SENT A MISSION HEADED BY MIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ALEXANDRENNE TO TRY TO NEGOTIATE PREFERENTIAL PRICES FROM ARAB COUNTRIES.

4. ASKED HOW SUCH ARAB CRUDE COULD BE BROUGHT TO SENEGAL IF ALLOCATION OBTAINED, FALL SAID THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM FINDING A GREEK OR LIBERIAN REGISTRY
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5. MEANWHILE HE SAID SENEGAL WOULD FREEZE PRICES
OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.
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